

## **Kent Public School Council**

**Tuesday, December 5, 2023**

**Present:** Adrianna Douglas, Sarah Turner, Samantha Larmer, Cara Owens, Kimberley Shannick, Erin Keogh, Paula Eckel

**Regrets:** Rebecca Coggins, Tiffany Hickey

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:05 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Samantha, seconded by Cara.

**Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve the November minutes was made by Erin, seconded by Cara.

### **Principal's Report:**

Land Acknowledgment

Regional Council Meetings - still need a representative

Some students participated in Remembrance Day Legion activities - one of our Grade 8 students placed second in the black and white poster contest

Recertified in First Aid - Mrs. Douglas

Thanked Council members for their generous donations to Silent Auction

Pricing received for playground structures - have to choose one

Playground equipment:

\$14 514.85 - 4 way rock climber

\$10 776.81 - 2 way rock climber

\$10 166.61 - space station (ages 5-12, in our school colours)

\$12 649.22 - island hopper (council felt it was too small, doesn't fit a lot of kids)

Council requested to move the blue and yellow monkey bars from the primary yard to the junior yard and then purchase the space station for the primary yard. Council agreed to this decision and passed on the rock climbers and Island hopper - also would like tether balls with rope for existing poles in Junior/Intermediate Yard (

Mirmil contact is a good lead. More to come.

Community Foundation of Campbellford, Seymour and Northumberland Grant - up to \$5000, community impact grant - apply for additional money for the new playground equipment in the primary yard.

### **CUPE/ETFO Report:**

#### **Since last meeting:**

Nov 8 - Training to use Read & Write and Orbit Note (grade 4-7)

Nov 9 - Spirit Colour Day, Internet Safety Grades 4-8 with Community Officer Clarke

Nov 10 - Remembrance Day Service

Nov 13 - Picture Retake Day, Health Unit School Nurse - Hay refresher in Pals, Mahoney - RCMP Heritage Centre activity  
Nov 14 - Nutrition Program inspected - PASSED  
Nov 15 - Cheese Orders Due  
Nov 16 - Health Unit Nurse - vaping activity with grade 4s  
Nov 17 - Progress Reports sent home, Dress Like Your Teacher Day, Rutherford/ Mahoney/ McRae - social emotional learning with Health Unit Nurse  
Nov 20 - Trent Teacher Candidates start with McRae/ Morford/ Jaynes/ Cole/ Burkholder), welcome back Mrs. B  
Nov 21 - Marshall to the Fire Hall  
Nov 22 - Cornerstone Programs finished  
Nov 23 - Spaghetti Dinner/ Silent Auction 5-7PM  
Nov 24 - Dress As Multiples Day  
Nov 27-30 - Winter Photos  
Nov 27 - Spaghetti Lunch  
Nov 29 - Community Officer Clarke visit to JK-1  
Dec 4 - Rutherford at Bail's Book Club, Door decorating planning  
Dec 5 - Grade 7/8 Road Safety Presentation

### **Coming Up:**

Dec 6 - EAAA Recreational Volleyball at ENSS (Coach Jaynes for girls and Coach Cole for boys)  
Dec 7 - Bus Safety for JK-8  
Dec 8 - Days of Sharing (Minute to Win It, Character Day, Kindness Cards for local Seniors' homes)  
Dec 11 - Days of Sharing (Tacky Attire Day, Paper Airplane Toss, Bubble Gum, Door Decorating, Cookies & Hot Chocolate)  
Dec 12 - Marshall at Post Office  
Dec 13 - Days of Sharing (Black Tie Affair, Jersey Day, Hockey Shoot Out, Dance)  
Dec 14 - Days of Sharing (Wacky Hair, Pajama/Blankie Day, Bingo, Candy Canes, Movie)  
Dec 15 - Trent TC's finish (Burkholder, Cole, Jaynes, Morford, McRae)  
Dec 19 - Cookies & Cocoa (Kindergarten)  
Dec 21 - Days of Sharing (Pancakes & Sausages from Captain's Table)  
Dec 22 - Last day before the holidays  
Jan 8 - Back to school  
Jan 9 - Next Meeting (Virtual)

### **Community Member's Report:**

N/A

### **Treasurer Report:**

Opening Balance: \$7924.75  
Cheese Fundraiser: \$1075.33  
Silent Auction: \$1065.00

Dinner: \$634.00

Total Raised: \$2944.33

Council Account: \$10,699.08

\*\$165.00 from silent auction not deposited yet

\*\$5 donation from kindergarten student from their Norwood Fair winnings not deposited yet

\*\$1500.00 in donations from Quinlan Excavating, Van Till Tree Care and King Auto in Charitable Trust to be transferred to Council

\*November Chicken Fingers - approximately \$320

\*December Chicken Fingers - approximately \$501

(Hot Lunch money transferred later in the year)

Rough Total: \$ 13 170. 08

Sarah will keep a list because all these donations really helped us to get our total to where it is and we have to say a big thank you.

Letters already sent out to Quinlan, Van Till and King Auto. Silent Auction Donations acknowledged on Edsby School Talk.

### **Fundraising Goals for the School Year:**

Reflections on November 23:

-Empire Cheese - streamline better with Excel and Mrs. Marsh, supports local, other schools have started so may be a good time to take a break.

-Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction - advertise in the community better and earlier to generate more people for the dinner, later in the year so not as rushed, parent authorization on auction items, set limits for ourselves when it comes to bidding (bidding ends at a specific time so everyone knows when to get their last bid in).

-Always keep looking for new fundraiser ideas!

Mabels Labels has started - can check it online for current sales, won't issue a cheque until we have made \$50

Florabunda Seeds - Sarah will reach out to get more details for the upcoming year to hear the specific details, more work on our end to sort the seeds but school cash online streamlines the ordering.

### **PRO Grant Ideas:**

Erin - Project must demonstrate parent input on how schools can improve in at least one of the following areas:

- Addressing social inclusion and racism specifically anti-Asian, anti-Black, and anti-Indigenous racism and other prejudices towards racialized and marginalized groups
- Creating a safe and welcoming environment.
- Demonstrating respect for parents as valued partners within the education system regarding decisions about their child's education
- Enhancing communication with teachers
- Informing parents about the expectations of the Ontario Curriculum and supporting resources.

Suggestions:

- Cyber Safety - session for junior, intermediate and then parents (Paul Davis - in person event would draw a bigger audience)
- Confidence, Resilience, Respect, Emotional and Mental Well-being - sessions for K-8 and parents (Sara Westbrook - only virtual \$925 for a parents and students session)
- Healthy Relationships & Productive Teams (reconnection, leadership & reignite) - sessions for educational groups (Dr. Jody Carrington - virtual event \$10,500)
- Zoo To You - turtle, falcon, snakes, information about animals and connected to the science curriculum (medium display show - \$895+\$65+HST or meet and greet show \$445+\$150+\$130+HST)

Council decided on Zoo To You, easy to promote with a poster, Adrianna will reach out for details and dates (from after March Break to end of April)

**Upcoming: next meeting on January 9, 2024 at 6 p.m. - virtual**

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:30 PM**